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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMUNICATIONS COMMUNICATIONS

Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: SBC/Ameritech Merger; CC Docket No. 98-141

Dear Secretary Salas:

On July 24, 1998, SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corporation filed applications requesting Commission approval of the transfer of control of FCC licenses and authorizations from Ameritech to SBC in connection with the proposed merger of the Applicants. It has come to our attention that a number of these applications have not appeared on the Commission's RIPS computer system. Accordingly, we have been requested by Commission staff to supply to you date-stamped copies of the applications that are not in the computer system showing that they were in fact filed on July 24. Those copies are enclosed.

Please note that some of these applications as originally filed contained a voluminous "Public Interest Statement" (that statement was cross-referenced in the remaining applications). The Public Interest Statement does appear in the Commission's computer system. Accordingly, we have not included additional copies of it with the enclosed copies of the applications.

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Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Horton

Counsel for SBC Communications Inc.

cc: Radhika Karmakar

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Federal Communications Commission Common Carrier Domestic Radio P.O. Box 358680 Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5680

Re:

Application of Ameritech Corporation and SBC Communications Inc. for Authority, Pursuant

to Part 101 of the Commission's Rules, to Transfer

Control of Licenses Controlled by Ameritech Corporation

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and one copy of the application of SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corporation for authority pursuant to Part 101 of the Commission's Rules to transfer control of certain licenses under Part 101 held by Illinois Bell Telephone Company (call signs KB9808, et al.). Also enclosed is a check payable to the Federal Communications Commission in the amount of \$1,285.00 for the prescribed filing fee.

Please note that Exhibits 3-11 of this application duplicate, respectively, Exhibits 3-11 to the Form 704 applying for the Commission's consent to transfer control of the licenses held by Wisconsin Bell, Inc. (call signs KB9805, et al.) from Ameritech Corporation to SBC Communications Inc. ("lead 704"). The two Forms 704 have been filed concurrently. Accordingly, Exhibits 3-11 to the lead 704 are incorporated into this application by reference.

Please direct questions or correspondence concerning SBC Communications Inc.'s portion of this application to:

Wayne Watts
General Attorney and Assistant General Counsel
SBC Communications Inc.
175 E. Houston
San Antonio, TX 78205
210-351-3476 (voice)
210-351-3488 (facsimile)



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Please direct questions or correspondence concerning the portion of this application dealing with Ameritech Corporation (and its subsidiaries) to:

Lynn Starr
Executive Director, Federal Relations
Ameritech Corporation
1401 H Street, N.W., Suite 1020
Washington, D.C. 20005
202-326-3800 (voice)
202-326-3826 (facsimile)

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Philip Horton

Enclosures

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| 8. Transferee is: (check one) | | |
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| 9. Attach as Exhibit No. $\frac{3}{2}$ a statement of transferee's principal business. | | |
| 10. Attach as Exhibit No. 4 a statement of the businesses, employment, or activities, other than communications in whitransferee, each member if a partnership, and all principals if a corporation, are engaged, giving (a) nature of activity, activity, and (c) hours devoted to each activity. | | |
| Place an "X" in the appropriate column. | YES | NO |
| 11. Is individual transferee, or if partnership each member of partnership, a citizen of the United States? | N/A | |
| 12. Is transferee or any party to this application a representative of an alien or of a foreign government? | | X |
| 13. If transferee is a partnership, attach as Exhibit No. X one copy, properly certified of the partnership agreement, or if oral, complete details thereof. | N/A | |
| 14. If transferee is a Corporation (including joint stock companies) or Association, answer the following: a. Under laws of what State or Country is it organized? DELAWARE | | |
| (1) Attach as Exhibit No. $\frac{5}{2}$ a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation (charter) if not heretofore on file with the Commission. | | |
| (2) Attach as Exhibit No. 6 the names, addresses and percentages of stock held by all principals of the corporation and by all stock holders owning and/or voting 10 percent of more of the transferee's stock. | | |
| b. Is any director of officer an alien? SEE EXHIBIT 7 | X | |
| c. Is more than one-fifth of the capital stock owned of record, or may it be voted, by aliens or their representatives, or by a foreign government or representatives thereof, or by a corporation organized unders the laws of a foreign government? | | × |
| d. Is transferee directly or indirectly controlled by an other corporation? If "YES", give in Exhibit No. X the names and addresses of all such controlling corporations to and including organization having final control and furnish for each all the information requested in 14a through c above. | · | × |
| e. Is transferee directly or indirectly controlled by any other corporation of which any officer or more than one-fourth of the directors are aliens? | | × |
| f. Is more than one-fourth of the capital stock of any controlling corporation owned of record, or may it be voted by aliens or their representatives, or by a foreign government or representative thereof, or by an corporation organized under the laws of a foreign government? | | × |
| 15. Is transferee directly or indirectly interested in or affiliated with any entity or person engaged in the business of providing a public land line message telephone service? If "YES", and transferee is not a land line telephone carrier, attach as Exhibit No. X a statement relating the facts. SEE EXHIBIT 3 | ·× | |
| 16. If permittee or licensee holds any Multipoint Distribution Service (MDS or MMDS) authorizations, is transferee directly or indirectly interested in or affiliated with, or has leasing arrangements with a cable television company? If "YES", submit as Exhibit No. X a description of the relationship and a map showing overlap of boundaries of cable franchise area and MDS station's protected service area, if any. | | N/ |
| 17. Has transferee or any party to this application had any station authorization revoked or had any application for construction permit, license or renewal denied by the Commission? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. X a statement relating all the pertinent circumstances. | | × |
| 18. Has any court finally adjudged the transferee, or any person directly or indirectly controlling the transferee, guilty of unlawfully monopolizing or attempting unlawfully to monopolize radio communication, directly or indirectly, through control of manufacture or sale of radio apparatus, exclusive traffic arrangement or any other means or of unfair methods of competition? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. X a statement relating the facts. | | × |
| 19. Has the transferee, or any party to this application, of any person directly or indirectly controlling the transferee ever been convicted of a crime for which the penalty imposed was a fine of \$500 or more, or an imprisonment of six menths or more? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. X a statement relating the facts. | | × |
| 20. Is transferee, or any person directly or indirectly controlling the transferee, presently a party in any matter referred to in items 17, 18, or 19? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. g a statement relating the facts. | - × | |
| 21. Is transferee directly or indirectly, through stock ownership, contract, or otherwise interested in the ownership or control of any other radio stations licensed by this Commission? If "YES", give (a) call sign and service, (b) location, and (c) name of licensee below. SEE EXHIBIT 9 | | |
| 22. Has applicant ever been directly or indirectly interested in the ownership or control of any radio stations other than those stated in Item 21 above? If "YES", give (a) call sign and service, (b) location, and (c) name of licensee below. SEE EXHIBIT 9 | × | |

| Place an "X" in the appropriate column. | YES | NO |
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| 3. Will transferee propose any of the following changes after the transfer of control is authorized (see instructions): | | |
| a. Changes in the services currently offered? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. X a brief statement of the proposic changes. | ed ► | × |
| b. Changes in technical personnel, maintenance or repair of facilities? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. \underline{X} a description of positions to be changed and specific arrangements for prompt maintenance or repair of facilities. | > | × |
| c. Changes in management or personnel responsible for the operation of the station? If "YES", in Exhibit No. $\frac{X}{X}$, describe the manner in which the proposal will operate, and list present positions of responsibility to be changed and proposed positions and division of responsibility, including hours of physical supervision. (When responsibilities are to be divided with any other business, give the name and address of owner of each such business and submit copy of working agreement.) | | × |
| 24. If transferee is a corporation, is stock of transferee to be sold after this consent is issued for any other purpose if "YES", explain purpose in Exhibit No. X SEE EXHIBIT 3 FOR DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTI | 1 | × |
| 25. Does transferee now hold any obligations of licensee corporation? If "YES", in Exhibit No. X , describe the obligations, methods by which acquired, and the dates on which they were obtained. | | × |
| Does local or state law require any authorization to transfer the control of the facilities and/or operations involved herein? If "YES", attach as Exhibit No. X a single certified copy of such authorization. * | ► × | |
| 27. a. Is transferee personally familiar with the provisions of the Commission's Rules governing the services which a the subject of this application? | re × | |
| b. Has transferee examined the subject facilities and determined that construction and operation is in compliance with current authorizations and the Commission's Rules? SEE EXHIBIT 10 | > | |
| 28. Attach as Exhibit No. 3 a complete statement, setting forth facts which show how the instant proposal will be in the public interest, and disclosing all relationships, affiliations or connections between the transferee and current or prospective subscribers. The statement should contain the names of any common stockholders, officers, directors, employees or individuals closely related to the management or control of the facilities of the transferee and any subscriber. | | |
| 29. If corporate permittee or licensee holds any authorizations for Part 21 stations, answer (a) and (b) below: a. Does authorization involve facilities that have not been constructed? If "YES", does transferee represent that it has, or has reasonable assurance that it will have, the ability to meet the expected cost of constructing ar such facilities within the construction period, and the estimated operating expenses for twelve months? | ıy ► | × |
| b. Were facilities authorized following a comparative hearing and have been operated less than one year; or involve facilities that have not been constructed; or involve facilities that were authorized following a random selection proceeding in which the successful applicant received a preference and that have been operated for less than one year? | . | × |
| 30. Does transferee represent that the information given in Part III of this application is true and correct, including any contracts or other instruments submitted, and that said information and contracts (if any) constitute the full agreement? | | |
| 31. Does transferee acknowledge that, if Commission consents, transfer of control must be completed within 45 days of date of consent and Commission must be notified by letter within 10 days of consummation? | > X | |

CERTIFICATION; Neither the applicant nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. The undersigned represents that all the attached exhibits pertinent to Part III are a material part hereof and are incorporated herein as if set out in full in this application; and certifies that all the statements made in Part III of this application are true, complete and correct to the best of his (her) knowledge and belief.

Willful false statements made on this application are punishable by fine and imprisonment (U. S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001) and/or revocation of any Station license or construction permit (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 312(a)(1)) and or forfeiture (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 503).

| Typed/Printed Name of Transferee | Signature | Title (Office Held by Person Signing) | Date |
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| JAMES S. KAHAN | | SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT | 7/22/98 |

*THE NECESSARY APPROVALS ARE BEING SOUGHT AND WILL BE SUPPLIED

TO THE COMMISSION UPON REQUEST.

Part 101

Illinois Bell Telephone Company

| (a) Call Sign | (b) File Number | (c) Service | (d) No. of Stations |
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| KB9808 | 9050292 | Local Television Transmission Service | 1 |
| KSA96 | 9050293 | Local Television Transmission Service | 1 |
| KVU32 | 9050295 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WHT252 | 9502432 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLK822 | 9103384 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLK823 | 9050299 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
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| WLN257 | 9103382 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLN259 | 9604846 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLN840 | 9509207 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
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| WLN842 | 9050308 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLT387 | 9700473 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
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| WLU435 | 9503927 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLU436 | 9003005 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLU437 | 9503926 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WLU438 | 9206793 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio | 1 |

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| WLU439 | 9003008 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMI743 | 9406990 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMI745 | 9305852 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMI746 | 9406991 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMQ501 | 9406989 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMS378 | 9501330 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WMS379 | 9501331 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| WPJF449 | 9604847 | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| Olive Hardy, Illinois | Pending | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |
| Pullman County, Illinois | Pending | Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Service | 1 |

FCC Form 704 Exhibit 2 Page 1 of 21

Response to Item 5.

Attached is a certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

To all to whom these presents Shall Come, Greeting:

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Now Therefore, I, Lewis Lewis . Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by wirtue of the powers wested in me by law, do hereby, is sue, this certificate, of amendment, to and attach thereto a copy of the Articles of Incorporation the Articles of Incorporation of the aforesuit corporation.

John 20. Jane

SECRETARY OF STATE.

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

AMENDING AND RESTATING THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Pursuant to Section 55 of "The Business Corporation Act" of Illinois, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby executes the following Articles of Amendment to amend and restate its Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE FIRST: The name of the corporation is ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY.

ARTICLE SECOND: The following amendments were adopted in the manner prescribed by said "The Business Corporation Act":

- 1. The aggregate number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue is increased from 65,000,000 to 100,000,000.
- 2. The Articles of Incorporation are amended and restated to read as follows:

I The name of this corporation is ILLINOIS BELL PAID TELEPHONE COMPANY.

It was originally incorporated January 14, 1881 under the name Chicago Telephone Company. It changed to its present name effective December 1920. No other changes of corporate name have secretary of occurred,

(Restated)

II The period of its duration is 150 years from January 14, 1881.

(Restated)

- III The purposes of the corporation are:
 - 1. To construct, maintain and operate telephone and telegraph lines and all other types of communication facilities within and without the State of Illinois.
 - 2. To engage in the transmission and communication from one place to another, wherever located, whether by electrical impulse or otherwise, of all forms of intelligence, including writings, signs, signals, data, pictures, images and sounds of all kinds, by aid or means of wire, cable, radio relay, space vehicle or any other methods or means of transmission or communication, including without limitation telephony and telegraphy, now or hereafter existing, and in the development, manufacture, construction, operation,

maintenance and repair of, and any other action with respect to, any methods or means of such transmission or communication, and devices, equipment, instruments, appliances, implements and other apparatus and material useful or capable of being used in connection therewith.

- 3. To do any and all things necessary or desirable to the attainment of any of the purposes of the corporation or incidental thereto.
- 4. To exercise all powers and privileges of corporations organized under The Business Corporation Act of Illinois, as from time to time amended, to the fullest extent not forbidden by law or these Articles.

(Amended and Restated)

IV The aggregate number of shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is 100,000,000 comprising a single class with each share having a par value of \$20.00.

(Amended and Restated)

ARTICLE THIRD: The number of shares of the corporation outstanding at the time of the foregoing amendment increasing the aggregate number of shares the corporation may issue to 100,000,000 and also on the date of adoption of the foregoing amendment amending and restating the Articles of Incorporation was 61,635,895 shares, all of a single class.

ARTICLE FOURTH:

- 1. The number of shares voted for said amendment increasing the authorized shares was 61,496,591; and the number of shares voted against said amendment was 3.558.
- 2. The number of shares voted for this amendment amending and restating the Articles of Incorporation was 61,495,945; and the number voted against said amendment was 4,359.
- 3. On the date of the adoption of the amendment amending and restating the Articles of Incorporation the corporation had a stated capital of \$1,232,717,900 and a paid-in surplus of \$21,476, a total of \$1,232,739,376.

ARTICLE FIFTH: On the date of adoption of the amendment amending and restating the Articles of Incorporation the address of the corporation's registered office was, and it now is, 225 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, and its registered agent at that address was then and now is C. W. Ebersold.

these Articles of Amendment to be executed in its name by its President, and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, attested by its Secretary, this 23rd day of March, 1971.

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

By Its President

ATTEST

Its Secretary

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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COUNTY OF COOK)

I, Donald W. Morrison, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on the 23rd day of March, 1971, C. L. Brown personally appeared before me and, being first duly sworn by me, acknowledged that he signed the foregoing document in the capacity therein set forth and declared that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written.

Norary Public

My Commission expires: October 16, 1974.

Certificate Number.



To all to whem these presents Shall Come, Greeting:

THEFFERS, Articles of MERGER duby signed and verified of TRANSITION CO., merged into ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

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FORM BCA-66A

ARTICLES OF MERGER OF SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS

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The undersigned corporation, pursuant to Section 66A of "The Business Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois, hereby executes the following articles of merger:

ARTICLE ONE

The names of the corporations proposing to merge and the names of the States under the laws of which such corporations are organized, are as follows:

| Name of Corporation | State of Incorporation |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Illinois Bell Telephone Company | Illinois |
| | |
| Transition Co. | Illinois |
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| ARTICLE | TWO |
| The laws of Not Applicable | |
| the State_ under which such foreign corporation is corporations are organi | ized, permit such merger. |
| ARTICLE | THREE |
| The name of the surviving corporation shall be Illi | nois Bell Telephone Company |
| and it shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illi | nois |
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ARTICLE FOUR

The plan of merger is as follows:

See Appendix A

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Secretary of State

PLAN OF MERGER AND REORGANIZATION

between-

ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY and TRANSITION CO.

ADOPTED BY

AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

PLAN OF MERGER AND REORGANIZATION, adopted by the Board of Directors of American Telephone and Telegraph Company, a New York corporation (American), as parent corporation, on February 20, 1974 pursuant to Section 66a of the Illinois Business Corporation Act, relating to the following named subsidiary corporations of American: Illinois Bell Telephone Company, an Illinois corporation (Illinois Bell) and Transition Co., an Illinois corporation (Illinois Bell and Transition Co. being hereinafter collectively referred to as the Subsidiary Corporations).

ARTICLE I

The authorized capital stock of Illinois Bell consists of 100,000,000 Common Shares, par value \$20.00 per share, of which 69,338,359 shares are now issued and outstanding. Of the Illinois Bell Common Shares now issued and outstanding, 68,871,393 shares (99.33%) are owned beneficially and of record by American; the remaining 466,966 shares not so owned are hereinafter called the "Publicly Held Shares".

The authorized capital stock of Transition Co. consists of 1,000 Common Shares, par value \$1.00 per share, all of which shares are issued and outstanding and are owned beneficially and of record by American.

ARTICLE II

Upon the Effective Date of the Merger, as such term is defined in Article IV hereof, (i) Transition Co. shall be merged into Illinois Bell which shall be the Surviving Corporation and shall continue its corporate existence as an Illinois corporation; (ii) the corporate name of the Surviving Corporation shall continue to be Illinois Bell Telephone Company; (iii) the Articles of Incorporation of Illinois Bell, as then in effect, shall be the Articles of Incorporation of the Surviving Corporation until duly amended or changed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois; (iv) the By-Laws of Illinois Bell then in effect shall continue as the By-Laws of Illinois; (v) the directors of Illinois Bell then in office shall continue as directors of the Surviving Corporation to serve for the terms to which they have been elected and until their respective successors shall be duly elected and qualified; and (vi) the separate existence of Transition Co. shall cease.

Upon the Effective Date of the Merger the Surviving Corporation shall thereupon and thereafter possess all the rights, privileges, immunities and franchises, as well of a public as of a private nature, of each of the Subsidiary Corporations; and all property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due on whatever account, including subscriptions to shares, and all other choses in action, and all and every other interest, of or belonging to or due to each of the Subsidiary Corporations, shall be taken and deemed to be transferred to and vested in the Surviving Corporation without further act or deed; and the title to any real estate, or any interest therein, vested in either of the Subsidiary Corporations shall not revert or be in any way impaired by reason of the

merger; and the Surviving Corporation shall thenceforth be responsible and liable for all the liabilities and obligations of each of the Subsidiary-Corporations; and any claim existing or action or proceeding pending by or against either of the Subsidiary-Corporations may be prosecuted to judgment as if the merger had not taken place, or the Surviving Corporation may be substituted in its place, and neither the rights of creditors nor any liens upon the property of either of the Subsidiary Corporations shall be impaired by the merger.

ARTICLE III

The manner and basis of converting the shares of capital stock of each merging Subsidiary Corporation upon the merger provided for hereby shall be as follows:

- (i) Each of the Publicly Held Shares of Illinois Bell issued and outstanding on the Effective Date of the Merger shall on such Date be converted into and become, without any action on the part of the holder thereof, 9/10 of one fully paid and non-assessable Common Share, par value \$1635 per share, of American; and
- (ii) Each Illinois Bell Common Share owned by American on the Effective Date of the Merger shall remain unchanged and unaffected by the merger and shall continue as one Common Share of the Surviving Corporation; and
- (iii) Each Common Share of Transition Co. issued and outstanding on the Effective Date of the Merger shall on such Date be cancelled and retired.

Each holder of record of Publicly Held Shares of Illinois Bell on the Effective Date of the Merger shall become the holder of record on that date of the number of American Common Shares to which such holder shall be entitled as aforesaid. The conversion of the Publicly Held Shares into American Common Shares shall be complete and effective on the Effective Date of the Merger without regard to the date or dates upon which certificates representing Publicly Held Shares shall be surrendered by the holders thereof in exchange for certificates representing American shares. Until surrendered, as provided below, certificates for Publicly Held Shares shall be deemed for all purposes from and after the Effective Date of the Merger to evidence the ownership of the number of American Common Shares into which the same were converted.

As soon as possible after the Effective Date of the Merger, each holder of an outstanding certificate or certificates theretofore representing Publicly Held Shares of Illinois Bell shall surrender the same to American, and each holder shall upon such surrender receive in exchange therefor a certificate or certificates representing the number of full American Common Shares into which the Publicly Held Shares theretofore represented by the certificate or certificates so surrendered shall have been converted. Until such surrender, any dividends or other distributions in respect of American Common Shares into which Publicly Held Shares shall have been converted shall be accumulated and not paid or delivered, but at the time of such surrender any dividends or other distributions so accumulated shall be paid or delivered in full but without interest.

No fractional American Common Shares, and no scrip or certificates therefor, will be issued in connection with the merger, and no person entitled to any fractional interest in an American Common Share shall be entitled to voting, dividend or other rights as a shareholder on account of such fractional interest, except that any dividends or other distributions which would otherwise be payable to such person on account of such fractional interest prior to the expiration of the exchange period hereinafter provided for with respect to such fractional interest shall be paid to such person without interest upon surrender of his certificate or certificates formerly evidencing Publicly Held Shares of Illinois Bell. Each such person shall be afforded the opportunity

for a period of 50 days after the Effective Date of the Merger to instruct American, as agent for such person, to purchase an additional fractional interest sufficient to entitle such person to one full American Common Share or to sell his fractional interest. Orders may be executed on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise as American shall deem advisable, and American, acting as such agent, may match orders and combine fractional interests into whole interests. All expenses of the execution of such orders, and any applicable transfer taxes, will be apportioned by American, acting as such agent, among the persons for whom such orders are executed, and the net cost will be billed, or the net proceeds remitted, as the case may be, to such persons on the basis of the average daily price on the day of execution of such orders. After the expiration of such 50-day period, American, acting as such agent, will sell at market for the account of the owners of the then outstanding fractional share interests, such American Common Shares as shall be equivalent to the aggregate of the fractional share interests then outstanding. American will thereafter hold the net proceeds of such sale in general accounts and pay to such owners, upon surrender of their certificates formerly evidencing Publicly Heid Shares, their pro rata share of such net proceeds without interest. The Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of American shall have the power to adopt rules and regulations concerning the purchase and sale of such fractional interests.

ARTICLE IV

This Plan of Merger and Reorganization shall become effective upon the issuance of a Certificate of Merger by the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois pursuant to Section 66a of the Illinois Business Corporation Act. The date upon which such Certificate of Merger shall be issued is herein called the "Effective Date of the Merger".

This Plan of Merger and Reorganization may be terminated and the merger contemplated hereby abandoned at any time before the Effective Date of the Merger by the Board of Directors or Executive Committee of American, in which event this Plan of Merger and Reorganization shall be wholly void and of no effect and there shall be no liability to any person on the part of the Subsidiary Corporations, American or the Boards of Directors, officers or shareholders thereof.

ARTICLE FIVE

The number of outstanding shares of each class of each merging subsidiary corporation and the number of such shares of each class owned immediately prior to the adoption of the plan of merger by the parent corporation, are:

| Name of Corporation | Total Number of Shares Outstanding of Each Class | Number of Shares of Each Class owned Immediately Prior to Merger by the Parent Corporation |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Illinois Bell Telephone Company | 69,338,359 Common | 68,871,393 Common |
| Transition Co. | 1,000 Common | 1,000 Common |
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ARTICLE SIX

| The date of mailing a copy of the plan of merger | to the shareholders of each | merging subsidiary corporation wa | ıs |
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| March 5, 1974 | | | |

| Was written consent for the merger | or written | waiver of the 3 | day period | by the holders | s of all the outstandin | g |
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| shares of all subsidiary corporations receiv | ed?No | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | _ |

(If answer is in the negative, the duplicate originals of the Articles of Merger may not be delivered to the Secretary of State until after 30 days following the mailing of a copy of the plan of merger to the shareholders of each merging subsidiary corporation).

ARTICLE SEVEN

(Delete this article if surviving or new corporation is to be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois.)

It is agreed that, upon and after the issuance of a certificate of merger by the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois:

- 1. The surviving corporation may be served with process in the State of Illinois in any proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of any corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois which is a party to the merger and in any proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of a dissenting shareholder of any such corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois against the surviving or new corporation;
- 2. The Secretary of State of the State of Illinois shall be and hereby is irrevocably appointed as the agent of the surviving corporation to accept service of process in any such proceedings; and
 - 3 The surviving corporation will promptly hav to the dissenting shareholders of any corporation organized under

the laws of the State of Illinois which is a party to the merger the amount, if any, to which they shall be entitled under the previsions of "The Business Corporation Act" of the State of Illinois with respect to the rights of dissenting shareholders.

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ARTICLES OF MERGER

OF

LLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Secretary of State

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If merger involves more than two corporations, \$50.00 for each additional corporation.

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